CONGRESSIONAL RECORD SUMMARY

Tuesday, May 1, 2001

SENATE

Measures Introduced:

S. 803. A bill to enhance the management and promotion of electronic Government services and processes by establishing a Federal Chief Information Officer within the Office of Management and Budget, and by establishing a broad framework of measures that require using Internet-based information technology to enhance citizen access to Government information and services, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

"...Our citizens will not be fully comfortable engaging in transactions over the Internet unless they are confident that their personal information is kept secure and private. That's why the E-Government Act contains strong new protections requiring agencies to complete detailed assessments of privacy considerations when they procure new information systems or initiate new collections of personal information. The bill also empowers the Federal CIO to review agencies' computer security plans..."

<u>Lieberman</u> *Pages S 4099, S 4101-15* **SEE PAGES S 4106-7: SEC. 205. FEDERAL COURTS.**

SEE PAGE S 4113: SEC. 205. FEDERAL COURTS. (SECTION-BY-SECTION DESCRIPTION) Sec. 205: Federal Courts

Requires each federal court to establish a website that would include public information such as location and contact information for courthouses, local rules, docket information for each case, and access to written opinions issued by the court, in a text searchable format. Documents filed electronically, and those converted to electronic form, shall also be made available. The Judicial Conference may promulgate rules to protect privacy concerns. The existing PACER electronic docketing system will no longer be required to charge fees to users. Court websites are required to be established no later than 2 years after the Act's effective date, with access to documents filed electronically no later than 4 years. Any court may elect not to comply with any requirement of this section, but Congress is notified of all such decisions and the reasons for the decisions.

S. 806. A bill to guarantee the right of individuals to receive full social security benefits under title II of the Social Security Act with an accurate annual cost-of-living adjustment; to the Committee on Finance.

Hutchinson

Pages S 4099, S 4116

Committee Meetings for Wednesday, May 2, 2001:

Committee on the Judiciary, @ 2:00 p.m. To hold hearings on the Department of Justice nominations, SD-226.

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Committee on the Judiciary, @ 2:00 p.m. Subcommittee on Antitrust, Business Rights, and Competition, to hold hearings on the implementation of the Telecommunications Act and its impact on competition in the industry, SD-226.

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Bills Introduced:

H.R. 1655. A *bill to amend title 18, United States Code*, to punish the placing of sexual explicit photographs on the Internet without the permission of the persons photographed; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

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H.R. 1663. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act, *the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974*, and the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend the basic period for health care continuation from 18 months to 5 years; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committees on Education and the Workforce, and Ways and Means, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

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H.J. Res. 46. A *joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States* relating to incarceration for minor traffic offenses; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

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Reports Filed:

Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 10, to provide for pension reform, amended (House Report 107-51, Pt. 1);

H.R. 10, to provide for pension reform, amended (House Report 107-51, Pt. 2); and

H. Res. 127, providing for consideration of H.R. 10, to provide for pension reform (House Report 107-53).

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See Pages H 1718-34: Amendments to H.R. 10, to provide for pension reform.

Committee Meetings:

Committee on Rules: Committee granted, by voice vote, a modified closed rule providing ninety minutes of debate in the House, on H.R. 10, Comprehensive Retirement Security and Pension Reform Act of 2001, with sixty minutes equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Ways and Means and thirty minutes equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Health held a hearing on Medicare+Choice: Lessons for Reform.

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Committee Meetings For Wednesday, May 2, 2001:

Committee on Appropriations, @ 10:00 a.m. Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State and Judiciary, on the Attorney General. 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Appropriations, @ 11:00 a.m. Subcommittee on VA, HUD and Independent Agencies, on the Court of Appeals for Veterans' Claims. H-143 Capitol.

Committee on the Judiciary, @ 3:00 p.m. Subcommittee on Courts, the Internet, and Intellectual Property, oversight hearing on the U.S. Copyright Office. 2141 Rayburn.

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Remarks:

Health Care.

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Unborn Victims Of Violence Act Of 2001.

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FBI Director Freeh Retires After A Proud Record Of Service To His Nation.

"...For 27 years he has served his country as an FBI agent, federal prosecutor, and a sitting **federal judge**, and having worked tirelessly here and around the globe to enhance the rule of law..."

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Next SENATE MEETING: Wednesday, 9:30 a.m., May 2, 2001. Next HOUSE MEETING: Wednesday, 9:00 a.m., May 2, 2001.

OLA: S. Schwarz (Smith), J. Homanich